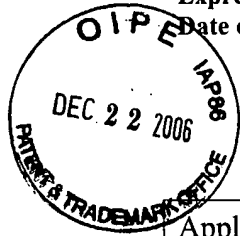


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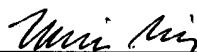
Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced patent application are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg);
2. Check No. 23551 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the extension fee; and
4. Return postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herein.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge all fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Ref. No. **28069-594**.

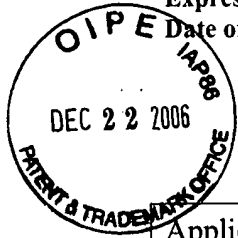
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the June 27, 2006 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, a response is due on or before December 27, 2006. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 in payment of the extension of time fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) for a large entity is enclosed herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be properly assessable in this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference Number: **28069-594**. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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